



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES

TO: Potential Candidates
FROM: Alison Lundergan Grimes, Secretary of State

To avoid any delays in the filing of candidate documents to attain ballot access required to file with the county clerk, candidates should directly contact the county clerk in their county of residence for filing procedures and requirements.

To avoid any delays in the filing of candidate documents to attain ballot access required to file with the Office of the Secretary of State, the following is provided:

1. Complete all applicable blanks on the filing form. The Office of the Secretary of State will make the necessary copies for distribution.
2. Candidates and signers must have their signatures acknowledged by a Notary Public, if applicable, and the expiration date of the notary's commission must be stated.
3. All copies of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Optional Request for Reporting Exemption **(not applicable to Federal Candidates who must register with the Federal Election Commission)** should accompany the filing form. The Office of the Secretary of State provides a duplicate copy to the Registry of Election Finance.
4. Checks should be payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer.

Questions relating to campaign finance procedures and requirements should be directed to the Registry of Election Finance at 502-573-2226. In addition, the Registry's website, <http://www.kref.ky.gov>, provides for the downloading of required reporting forms and a book titled Guide to Campaign Finance. Questions relating to campaign finance matters for federal candidates should be directed to the Federal Election Commission at 1-800-424-9530.

Candidate filing forms may be filed in person or by mail at the following address:

Office of the Secretary of State
Election Division
Room 148, State Capitol
700 Capital Avenue
Frankfort, KY 40601-3493

If our office may be of further assistance to you, please contact our election staff at 502-564-3490 or by email at sos.electns@ky.gov.

GOVERNOR/LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR INDEPENDENT and POLITICAL GROUP/ORGANIZATION CANDIDATES GENERAL ELECTION

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| The Office of Governor/Lieutenant Governor will appear on the 2015 general election ballot. |
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| Signatures Required: | Each candidate's signature and the signature of 5,000 registered voters from the district or jurisdiction in which candidate seeks nomination. |
| Earliest date to file Statement-of-Candidacy | November 5, 2014 |
| Latest date to file Statement-of-Candidacy (4:00 p.m., local time) | April 1, 2015 |
| Earliest date to affix signatures and file Nominating Petition | November 5, 2014 |
| Latest date to file Nominating Petition (4:00 p.m., local time) | August 11, 2015 |

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| Filing Form SBE 59B | Statement-of-Candidacy |
| Filing Form SBE 66B and SBE 66B-2 | Nominating Petition |
| Filing Form KREF-001/G | Slate of Candidates Appointment of Campaign Treasurer |
| Filing Fee | \$500.00 |
| Filing Official | Secretary of State |

Independents and Political Group/Organization candidates attain general election ballot access for the office of Governor/Lieutenant Governor by filing a Statement-of-Candidacy and a Nominating Petition with the Secretary of State. The filing of the Statement-of-Candidacy is a prerequisite to file the petition of nomination.

The Statement-of-Candidacy form must be filed with the Secretary of State not later than **April 1st** preceding the general election. There is **NO** filing fee for filing the signed Statement-of-Candidacy and failure to file the Statement-of-Candidacy by candidates will result in rejection of the petition of nomination. All candidates except those candidates who have been nominated by any qualified political organization must file a Nominating Petition.

The Nominating Petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State not later than **second Tuesday in August**. The Nominating Petition must be signed by the candidates for Governor/Lieutenant Governor and by no less than 5,000 registered voters.

Establishing Campaign Account: For information regarding campaign contribution and expenditure reporting requirements received or expended in the year before the year the candidate appears on the ballot, contact the **Registry of Election Finance** at (502) 573-2226.

Please Note: All information contained in this packet is subject to change per Kentucky Revised Statutes.



STATEMENT-OF-CANDIDACY

(For independent candidates or candidates of political groups/organizations filing for only the office of Governor/Lt. Governor under the provisions of KRS 118.315 and 118.367)

I, _____
(Name of Candidate for Governor)

reside at _____
(Residential Address)

_____, and
(City) (State) (Zip)

I, _____
(Name of Candidate for Lieutenant Governor)

reside at _____
(Residential Address)

(City, State, Zip)

state our desire to become candidates for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the political group/organization known as _____
or as independent candidates under the provisions of KRS 118.367.

We do further declare that we are aware that ballot access is obtained by filing a **petition of nomination** and the filing of petitions of nominations for independent candidates shall not be accepted by the Secretary of State if the candidate has not filed a Statement-of-Candidacy form. KRS 118.365(5)

(Signature of Candidate for Governor)

(Signature of Candidate for Lieutenant Governor)

The deadline for filing a Statement-of-Candidacy form is **not later than April 1** preceding the day fixed by law for holding of general elections for the offices sought. KRS 118.367(1). The Statement-of-Candidacy form may be filed no earlier than the first Wednesday after the first Monday in November of the year preceding the year in which the office will appear on the ballot.



NOMINATING PETITION

(Candidates Filing for Governor/Lieutenant Governor under the provisions of KRS 118.315)

TO: Secretary of State
700 Capitol Ave Rm 150
Capitol Building
Frankfort KY 40601-3410

We, the undersigned petitioners, being voters of the same district or jurisdiction from which the candidates seek nomination and being at least 5,000 in number, hereby petition you, as Secretary of State, to cause to be printed on the official ballot of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, to be used at the general election to be held on November _____, 20_____, the names of the following persons as candidates of the political group/ (Day)
organization known as _____ or as an independent candidate for the offices hereinafter designated, the names of said persons and their respective residences being as follows:

FOR GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

(Name of Candidate for Governor – Please Type or Print) (Residential Address) (City) KY (Zip)

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

(Name of Candidate for Lieutenant Governor – Please Type or Print) (Residential Address) (City) KY (Zip)

We, _____
(Name of Candidate for Governor in full as desired on the Ballot as provided in KRS 118.129)
and _____
(Name of Candidate for Lieutenant Governor in full as desired on the Ballot as provided in KRS 118.129)

hereby declare that if elected we will qualify for the above offices. We further state that we are qualified to be designated on the ballot as candidates of the political group/organization known as _____
_____ or as an independent candidate.

(Signature of Candidate for Governor) (Signature of Candidate for Lieutenant Governor)

Petitioners desire that the candidates above be designated on the ballot under the following attached figure or device:

(District if applicable)

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KENTUCKY REGISTRY OF ELECTION FINANCE

140 Walnut Street; Frankfort, KY 40601-3240

(502) 573-2226 FAX (502) 573-5622

www.kref.ky.gov

REGISTRY USE**SLATE OF CANDIDATES
APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER**

Please Type or Print

This form does not constitute registering a campaign committee

Logged _____

Keyed _____

CANDIDATE INFORMATION**(Slate is responsible for notifying the Registry of any change of information)**_____
Candidate for Governor_____
Mailing Address_____
City State Zip() - () -
Daytime Phone Alternate Phone____/____/____
Candidate's Date of Birth_____
Candidate for Lt. Governor_____
Mailing Address_____
City State Zip() - () -
Daytime Phone Alternate Phone____/____/____
Candidate's Date of Birth**Party Affiliation:** ☐ Democrat ☐ Republican ☐ Independent ☐ Other _____**TREASURER AND DEPOSITORY INFORMATION**_____
Treasurer's Name_____
Mailing Address_____
City State Zip() - () -
Daytime Phone Alternate Phone

CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY (Depository must be a financial institution authorized to do business in Kentucky and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.)

Name of Financial Institution intended for use as Campaign Depository_____
Address of Financial Institution intended for use as Campaign Depository**SIGNATURES**

We hereby certify that the foregoing is our act and deed.

Signature - Candidate for Governor_____
Date_____
Signature - Candidate for Lt. Governor_____
Date_____
Signature - Treasurer for Slate_____
Date